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Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowance dated November 22, 2004.

The term "bar" is not meant to be a solid elongated member. As described in the specification at page 3, penultimate paragraph, the elongated bar 15 of each leg assembly 13 is described as being typically of hollow construction. Page 3, last paragraph states that the bar 15 may be made of solid construction such as wood or cast material.

The point made in applicant's remarks in the Amendment of October 25, 2004 is that Jones has a pair of telescopically engaged tubular sections 62 and 64 whereas applicant has a single bar. That is to say, the term "bar" is meant to mean a single elongated member that may be solid or hollow.

Respectfully submitted,


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